What is claimed is:

1.   A computer implemented method for facilitating the
procurement of goods and services, comprising:
        requesting any one of a plurality of procurement entities;
        completing procurement items associated with the requested
procurement entity; and
        recording the procurement items.

2.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
procurement of goods and services according to claim 1, wherein said
procurement entity is a virtual procurement folder.

3.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
procurement of goods and services according to claim 2, wherein said virtual
procurement folder comprises a plurality of the procurement items.

4.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
procurement of goods and services according to claim 3, wherein the
procurement items are associated with different stages of a procurement
process.

5.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the

2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 3, wherein the
3   procurement items comprise a plurality of procurement records.

1   6.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 3, wherein the
3   procurement items comprise a plurality of mandatory or optional procurement
4   events.

1   7.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 1, wherein the
3   procurement entity has an associated procurement identifier.

1   8.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 7, wherein the
3   procurement entity may be requested by the procurement identifier.

1   9.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 1, further comprising:
3   defining or redefining stages of a procurement process.

1   10.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 1, further comprising:
3   automatically changing states according to variable rules;

1   11.   A computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services, comprising:
3   requesting procurement items associated with any stage of a
4   procurement process;
5   completing the procurement items associated with said procurement
6   process; and
7   recording the procurement items.

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1   12.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 11, wherein the
3   procurement items comprise procurement records.

1   13.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 11, wherein the
3   procurement items comprise procurement events.

1   14.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 11, wherein the
3   procurement events may be mandatory or optional.

1   15.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 11 further comprising:
3   defining or redefining stages of the procurement process.

1   16.   The computer implemented method for facilitating the
2   procurement of goods and services according to claim 11, further comprising:
3   automatically changing states according to variable rules.

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